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Allergies, Other Ills Await Some

Mount Holly, NJ -- Now that the water is gone and your possessions have begun to dry out, have you come down with something you just can't seem to get rid of? You might be suffering from allergies.

Increased mold, mildew and pollen from flowering plants can have an adverse effect on people who have never suffered with allergies in the past. Sometimes the symptoms appear to be something else. For instance, a person suffering an allergic reaction to pollen may think it's just a head cold. Typical allergy symptoms are sneezing, watery/itchy eyes, cold symptoms that won't go away, skin rashes, some types of asthma, headaches, persistent cough, vomiting and recurring ear infections.

Generally it is better that you get a diagnosis and treatment the as soon as possible. Prolonged exposure to germinating molds and mildew in closed areas can cause permanent damage if left untreated. Of course the best treatment is to thoroughly clean and dry your home and wear a mask while you work to prevent allergens from entering your lungs.

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